



CITY OF SEQUIM *News*



January 2019

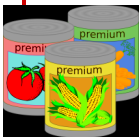
Meeting Dates & Locations

The meetings are held at the Civic Center located at 152 West Cedar Street.

City Council Regular Meeting Council Chambers	2nd & 4th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Work Session Council Chambers (when required)	2nd & 4th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Council Chambers	1st & 3rd Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
Parks, Arbor, and Recreation Board Community Conf. Room	3rd Monday 5:00 p.m.
Lodging Tax Advisory Comm. Community Conf. Room	Quarterly—Next Meeting March 15—10:00 p.m.
Arts Advisory Commission Community Conf. Room	3rd Monday 3:00 p.m.

Meetings scheduled on Monday that fall on a holiday are typically rescheduled for the next day, Tuesday.

**Special City Council Meeting
Council Advance
Friday, January 4
from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Sequim
Transit Center, 190 West Cedar Street.**



Emergency Preparedness

Pack an Emergency Supply Kit—Because of our remote location, the City is recommending that you have supplies available for at least two weeks and ideally one month.

- **Water**—one gallon per person, per day
- **Food**—foods that are easy to make and won't spoil like canned soup, dry pasta, and powdered milk.
- **Basic utensils** to prepare and serve meals, including a manual can opener
- **Health Supplies** (medicine, extra batteries for hearing aids, syringes)
- **Personal Care Items** (soap, toothbrushes, contacts or glasses)
- **Safety Supplies** (first aid kit, emergency blanket, whistle, multi-purpose tool)
- **Electronics** (flashlight, radio, cell phone with chargers, batteries)
- **Documents** (copies of insurance cards, immunization records, your family emergency plan and contact information)
- **Miscellaneous** (extra cash, maps of the area, extra keys for car and house)

To learn more about Emergency Preparedness and Response, visit <http://emergency.cdc/preparedness>.

**HAPPY
NEW
YEAR!**

City offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 1 for New Year's Day and on Monday, January 21 for Martin Luther King Day.

Welcome New Employees!

Steven De Alba, Seasonal Maintenance Worker—October 1

John Christenson, WRF Operator—November 19

Carolee Edwards, Police Officer—December 4

Cyndi Hueth, Arts Coordinator—December 10

Water Rates Increase and Sewer Rates Decrease in 2019

Utility customers can expect to see a 6% increase in their water rates and a 2% decrease in their sewer rates in 2019. The changes translate to an increase of 50 cents per household using 450 cubic feet of water per month. The changes will be reflected in the February 2019 statements.

Utility Discounts Available for Low Income Residents

To financially assist those struggling to meet their basic needs, utility rate reductions are available for qualifying low income residents. You may qualify if your income does not exceed 150% of the federal poverty guidelines. There is an additional net asset based test to determine qualification, which now eliminates the primary residence in that eligibility calculation. The exact amount of your discount will be administratively determined upon receipt of all applications for the 2019 program. Qualifying applicants will see the discounted rates on their January usage bill.

Applications for the 2019 discount are due **January 15, 2019** and are available at the following locations: Sequim Civic Center, DSHS, Sequim Community Aid, St Vincent De Paul, Serenity House, United Way and the Sequim Senior Center. Applications can also be downloaded from our website at <http://www.sequimwa.gov>. Please don't hesitate to call City Hall (360) 683-4139 with your questions.

**READ THE CITY MANAGER WEEKLY
UPDATES AT WWW.SEQUIMWA.GOV.**

Water Saving Tip of the Month



In the Bathroom: INSTALL WATER SAVING SHOWER HEADS; Low-flow showerheads deliver 2.5 gallons of water per minute or less and are relatively inexpensive. Older showerheads use 5 to 7 gallons per minute.

Sign Up for E—Notifications

Sign up to receive City news and announcements.

Visit sequimwa.gov and click on E-Notifications. You can select which types of information you receive, and whether you prefer email or text.

Rally in the Alley

Rally in the Alley Scheduled for February 9

The City of Sequim, in partnership with Habitat for Humanity of Clallam County and Olympic Disposal, will hold the next Rally in the Alley on Saturday, February 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. or until dumpsters are full. Dumpsters will be located in the southwest quadrant of the City at:

- 7th & McCurdy
- Second location to be determined close to the event

Volunteers will be on site to assist City residents with discarding unwanted items at no cost to the residents. No tires, appliances, liquid paint, gas, fuel, or oil will be accepted.

Volunteers please meet at 7th & McCurdy at 9:00 a.m. for assignments.

Please contact Habitat for Humanity Executive Director Colleen Robinson at (360) 775-3742 or colleen@habitatclallam.org for more information.

Coffee with the Mayor

Meet Mayor Dennis Smith at Coffee with the Mayor on Thursday, January 24 at 8:30 a.m. at the Black Bear Diner, 1471 E. Washington Street. City Manager Charlie Bush will join the Mayor. Each month the Mayor will be available at a published location



City Manager
Charlie Bush



Mayor Dennis
Smith

to meet with anyone who wants to chat, ask questions, express a concern, or make a comment about the City or the community.

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Road Priorities During Winter Storms

The winter months are here and that means the possibility of winter storms.

During snow storms, the City crew concentrates on clearing the main arterials first. Washington Street, Sequim Avenue, 5th Avenue, 3rd Avenue, overpasses, and school routes (when schools are in session) are the top priorities.

As cold weather approaches, City crews spread magnesium chloride, a liquid de-icing agent, on areas that are prone to freeze.

There are 54 miles of City-owned roads and alleyways in the City of Sequim, in addition to parking lots and sidewalks. There are also 19 miles of private streets and roadways within the city limits that the City does not clear. The City asks the community to help by clearing snow from sidewalks that adjoin their homes and businesses.



In the Gallery...

“Go Figure” Exhibit

January 4—March 31, 2019



**Please join us for the
Artist Reception and Art Talk on the Art Walk.
Friday, January 4 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.**

5:15 p.m.—Susan Spar: “Bringing Your Vision to Life: An Introduction to Finding Your Inner Artist”
6:15 p.m.—Pamela Dick: “Digital Artistry: Using Your Computer to Create Fine Art”
7:00 p.m.—Priscilla Patterson: “How to Catch a Criminal: Starting with a Sketch”

Please contact City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at (360) 681-3428 or kkuznek@sequimwa.gov with questions.

Hours: Monday—Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Deadline Revised for Human Services Request for Proposals

The City of Sequim has revised the deadline for the Human Services Request for Proposals (RFP) to February 20. The main objective of the RFP is to see a collaborative effort from service providers to address the human services needs in Sequim.

There will be an optional Bidder's Conference on Wednesday, January 9 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center, 152 West Cedar Street. At the meeting staff will provide a summary of the Human Services Summit held on October 30, review results from the Summit, and answer questions from service providers.

To see the full RFP, please visit the City of Sequim website www.sequimwa.gov or contact Assistant City Manager Charisse Deschenes at (360) 681-3432 or cdeschenes@sequimwa.gov.